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Launch of Satellites
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Will the Minister of SPACE be pleased to state:

(a) whether recently PSLV C3 and GPRS/Navigation Satellites have been launched and if so, the details thereof;
(b) whether they are able to find out new planets and stars and the details of other areas in which they are useful and if so, the details thereof;
(c) the total cost of the satellites launched;
(d) whether separate allocation is required in the budget for this; and
(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PG & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

(a) The seventh indigenous navigation satellite IRNSS-1G, of Indian Regional Navigation Satellite System (IRNSS rechristened as NavIC), has been successfully launched on April 28, 2016 onboard PSLV C-33 from Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota.

(b) No Madam. The IRNSS (NavIC) will provide position, navigation and timing information, which could be utilised for a large range of applications and services that include terrestrial, aerial and marine navigation. The signals from IRNSS (NavIC) through ground receivers will determine latitude, longitude & time, which could be utilised for variety of Location Based Services.

(c), (d)& (e) A budget of Rs.1420 Crore has been approved by the Government in 2006 for the realisation of IRNSS programme including space segment and associated ground segment.

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